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Lt. Gen. Jorge Rafael Videla  
President of the Republic of Argentina  
Cosa Rosada  
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear President Videla:

I add my appeal to those of many others for the release and right of exile of two prisoners in your country: Claudio Santiago Bermann and Elena Sevilla. These erudite people have offers of positions in other countries where they would be welcomed as contributors to medicine and physics.

We in other countries understand the political exigencies that led to imprisonments, but plead that now the time has come to relax at least to the extent of allowing those to leave Argentina prisons who can obtain employment elsewhere. Many eyes throughout the world will watch hopefully for a sign from you.

Respectfully yours,

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